(a) whether it is a fact that during his last visit to Orissa, Union Minister of Rural Development has informed that for development of rural areas and improving the financial conditions of poor people in the State, Centre has undertaken some programmes;

(b) if so, whether it is also a fact that under the above programmes, adequate amount of financial support would be provided for execution of the works; and

(c) if so, details of the projects so undertaken by the Center under the above programmes?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ANNASAHEB M.K. PATIL): (a) The Hon'ble Minister of Rural Development during his last visit to Orissa and reviewed the Scheme being implemented for the development of rural areas and improving the financial conditions of rural poor in the State of Orissa. These Schemes are the Swarnjayanti Gram Swarojgar Yojana (SGSY), the Sampoorna Gramin Rozgar Yojana (SGRY), the Indira Awaas Yojana (IAY), the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojanas (PMGSY), the Drought Prone Areas Programme (DPAP), the Integrated Wastelands Development Programme (IWDP), the Hariyali, the Rural Water Supply Programme (RWSP), the Swajaldhara and the Central Rural Sanitation Programme (CRSP)/the Total Sanitation Campaign (TSC).

(b) and (c) The Central allocation of Orissa to implement the Rural Development Programmes is Rs.473.97 Crores during the year 2003-04.

Demands raised by C.M. of Orissa for rural development schemes

2505. MR. PRAMILA BOHIDAR:
SHRI B.J. PANDA:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it isa fact that during his last visit to Orissa the Union Minister had discussed the progress of PMGSY with the CM of Orissa and the CM had requested to provide more grants and foodgrains for the drought-affected people in the State alongwith last instalment of

Rs.1.65 billion for construction of additional 400,000 Indira Awas Yojana houses and other assistance etc., and

(b) if so,whether this demand has since been met and if not, status of the case?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ANNASAHEB M.K. PATIL): (a) and (b) It is not possible to make Special allocation of foodgrains under the other Schemes of the Ministry for the PMGSY Release of funds for PMGSY is based onthe celarance of project proposals on an annual basis. For construction of additional 4 lakh Indira Awas Yojana houses, an amount of Rs.154.31 crore has already been released, against the last instalment of Rs.165.00 crore.

Employment targets under SJGSY

†2506. SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH 'LALAN':
SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:

Will the Minister RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether any target has been fixed to provide employment to villagers under Swarn Jayanti Gramin Swarojgar Yojana;

(b) if so, the targets fixed for the year 2000-2001, 2001-2002 and 2002-2003 and the funds allocated to achieve the target; and

(c) the actual amount spent out of the allocated fund and the assessment of the Government with regard to the achievements of the annual tagets?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ANNASAHEB M.K. PATIL):

(a) Under the Swarnjayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojana (SGSY) no physical target is fixed to provide employment to villagers.

(b The total amount allocated (Center and State) under SGSY during 2000-2001, 2001-2002 and 2002-2003 was Rs.1332.50 crore, Rs.774.50 crore and Rs.756.37 crore respectively.

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